

Data Source Documentation

Indicator	Dental visit in past year, Medicaid/BadgerCare recipients
Demographic Group	Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare recipients
Numerator	Number of Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare recipients who received any dental service
Denominator	Total number of Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare recipients
Details about Data Item	The tables show the number and percent of Medicaid and BadgerCare recipients who received any dental service during the state fiscal year. Information is presented separately for fee-for-service recipients (including HMO enrollees receiving dental benefits on a fee-for-service basis) and HMO enrollees with dental coverage.
Other Data Information	<p>Medicaid is a joint federal/state program established in 1965 under Title XIX of the Social Security Act to pay for medical services for people with disabilities, people 65 years and older, children and their caretakers, and pregnant women who meet the program's financial requirements. BadgerCare is a Medicaid subprogram that covers low-income working families with children.</p> <p>Starting in fiscal year 2001, three of the 13 Medicaid and BadgerCare HMOs offered dental services to enrollees living in Milwaukee, Racine, Kenosha and Waukesha Counties (nearly half the total Medicaid/BadgerCare HMO enrollment in Wisconsin). In November 2004 a fourth HMO began providing dental services to Medicaid and BadgerCare enrollees in Milwaukee and Waukesha. HMO enrollees in the rest of the state received dental benefits on a fee-for-service basis.</p>
Reference Time Period	State fiscal year, July 1 through June 30.
Data Source	<p>Wisconsin Medicaid Program, claims and eligibility data for services provided, Division of Health Care Financing, Department of Health and Family Services.</p> <p>More data on Medicaid dental (preventive) services can be accessed at http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid7/reports_data/index.htm under Provider Quality Reports, Medicaid Encounter Data-Driven Improvement Core Measure Set (MEDDIC-MS) Data Book (Volume 1 – page 12, Volume 2 - page 12, and Volume 3 - page 13).</p>
Additional Information	Additional information about the Wisconsin Medicaid Program is available at http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/index.htm

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